GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
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IMPORT OF FERTILIZERS
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have allowed a number of private parties/firms to import fertilizers, drugs and chemicals of which the sale/distribution is controlled by the Government;

(b) if so, the details of such private parties/firms to whom permission to import the above items has been given during each of the last three years; and

(c) the total number of persons belonging to the SCs/STs among them and their percentage as compared to the total such parties/firms?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAMESH BAIS)

(a) to (c): Urea is the only item which is under statutory price, movement and distribution control. The imports of urea are made on Government account. However, some of the fertilizer companies have been allowed to import urea for manufacturing of complex fertilizers, details of which in the last three years are as under:

(Quantities in MT)

Year	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
Corromondel Fertilizers Ltd	30,000	90,000	75,000
Madras Fertilizers Ltd	50,000	1,50,000	2,40,000
Zuari Industries Ltd	Nil	Nil	60,000
Godavari Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd	Nil	Nil	20,000

The imports of other major fertilizers namely DAP, MOP are free and so is the case in drugs and chemicals.